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- 19. (Amended) The apparatus of one the claims 1 to 3, 8 or 9, wherein a flow meter (34) is provided in the pipeline (14) connecting the measuring container (11) and the atomizing nozzle (8).
- 20. (Amended) The apparatus of claim 19, wherein at least one inspection opening, closed off by a sight glass (13), is provided in the side wall of the atomizing container (1).

REMARKS

Enclosed please find an English translation of the specification, claims and abstract along with a Declaration of Translator and a Notification of Missing Requirements dated July 3, 2001.

The specification has been amended as regards to various typographical, grammatical and idiomatic matters.

APPENDIX I

AMENDED CLAIMS WITH AMENDMENTS INDICATED THEREIN BY BRACKETS AND UNDERLINING

- 5. (Amended) The apparatus of one of the claims 1 to [4] $\underline{3}$, wherein the atomizing container (1) has a basic cylindrical shape.
- 6. (Amended) The apparatus of one of the claims 1 to [5] 3, wherein the container (1) is connected at the bottom with the upper end of a measuring container (11) for the liquid component of the aerosol.
- 11. (Amended) The apparatus of [one of the claims 8 to 10] claims 8 or 9, wherein a heating unit (24) is connected in the supplying pipeline (6) for the gaseous component.
- 12. (Amended) The apparatus of [one of the claims 8 to 11] <u>claims</u> 8 or 9, wherein a heating unit (29) is connected in a discharging pipeline (22) connected to the upper end of an atomizing container (1).

- 13. (Amended) The apparatus of [one of the claims 8 to 12] claims 8 or 9, wherein a shut-off valve, which can be actuated by means of an actuator, is provided in the supplying pipeline (6) for the gaseous component.
- 14. (Amended) The apparatus of [one of the claims 8 to 13] claims 8 or 9, wherein a shut-off valve, which can be actuated by means of an actuator, is provided in the discharging pipeline.
- 15. (Amended) The apparatus of one of the claims 1 to [14] 3, 8 or 9, wherein a connecting line (14), enclosing a pump (15), emerges from the lower end of the measuring container (11), is passed into the atomizing container (1) and carries the atomizing nozzle (8) at its end.
- 16. (Amended) The apparatus of claims 1 to [15] 3, 8 or 9, wherein the measuring container (11) is connected in the region of its lower end to a reservoir (17) for the liquid component of the aerosol.
- 17. (Amended) The apparatus of one of the claims 1 to [16] 3, 8 or 9, wherein the measuring container (11) has level contacts (19), which are disposed one above the other for checking the consumption, and limit contacts (20) for

controlling the replenishment and a float (21), which interacts with the level contacts (19) and the limit contacts (20), is provided in the measuring container (11).

- 19. (Amended) The apparatus of one the claims 1 to [18] 3, 8 or 9, wherein a flow meter (34) is provided in the pipeline (14) connecting the measuring container (11) and the atomizing nozzle (8).
- 20. (Amended) The apparatus of [one of the claims] <u>claim</u> 19, wherein at least one inspection opening, closed off by a sight glass (13), is provided in the side wall of the atomizing container (1).

APPENDIX II

AMENDED SPECIFICATION PARAGRAPHS WITH AMENDMENTS INDICATED THEREIN BY BRACKETS AND UNDERLINING

Page 1: Between the Title and the first full paragraph, insert the following heading:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1st full paragraph, change to read as follows:

The invention relates to [a] an apparatus for producing an aerosol [in accordance with the introductory portion of claim 1].

2nd full paragraph, change to read as follows:

The invention is concerned with the problem of creating an apparatus, which is constructed simply, has a high output and produces a particularly homogeneous aerosol. [Pursuant to the invention, this objective is accomplished by an apparatus of claim 1. Reference is made to claims 2 to 20 with regard to important further refinements.]

Between the 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} full paragraph, insert the following heading: SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

4th full paragraph, change to read as follows:

Further details and effects arise out of the following description and the drawing, in which diagrammatic examples of the inventive aerosol generator are illustrated. [In the drawing]

Between the 4^{th} and 5^{th} full paragraph, insert the following heading:

IN THE DRAWINGS

5th full paragraph, change to read as follows:

Figure 1 shows a diagrammatic representation of a first embodiment of an inventive aerosol generator, and

Page 2: Between the 1st and 2nd full paragraph, insert the following heading:

DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS